

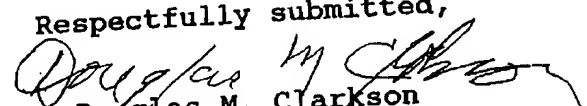
**REMARKS**

The applicant appreciates the patience exhibited by the Examiner by issuing the Notice of Non-Compliance with Rule 1.121 that was mailed 10/16/2002.

This is supplemental to the Amendment filed on 10/14/2002 and is an effort to be responsive. The claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 14 are cancelled and the remaining claims 1, 2, 7, 8 and 12 are amended extensively to better define the invention.

Therefore, an early allowance is submitted to be in order and is earnestly urged as soon as practicable.

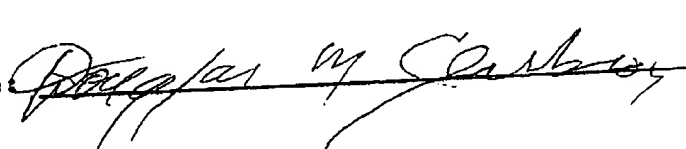
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